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became clear that they did not intend to leave, it was decided that the risk of discovery was too great, and the mission was called off.

On 2/21/62 in the afternoon, SA THOMAS G. FORSYTH III received a telephone call from New Kensington Police Chief DAN JOSEPHS, who asked if the Pittsburgh Office had been working in New Kensington that morning. Chief JOSEPHS was asked why he had made that inquiry, and he said his early morning shift Desk Sergeant told him that IOUIS CIANCUTTI had reported that four men in a car had been "hanging around" CIANCUTTI's house in a suspicious manner. CIANCUTTI had a license number and asked to have it checked. Since the license number was not found in the license registration books furnished to the Police Department by the Pennsylvania Bureau of Motor Vehicles, the Desk Sergeant assumed the car was a "secret" registration to some law enforcement agency, probably Federal. When asked who the Desk Sergeant was, Chief JOSEPHS replied, "RODITIS."

On 2/23/62 PG 612-Cwas asked by SA THOMAS G. FORSYTH III whether the "heat" was still on in New Kensington, and informant replied that SA FORSYTH should know the answer without asking since everyone in town knew the "Feds" were in New Kensington almost every night.

On 2/27/62 PCI JAMES W. BURGART was asked the same question and his reply was practically the same. PCI said he felt that "Government Agents" were still trying to contact individuals who would testify before the current FGJ against the MANNARINOS. He said he had heard rumors that "the boys" might be following the "Government Agents" in an attempt to ascertain the identities of individuals they contacted.

On 3/2/62 SA FRANCIS LARKIN, Intelligence Division, IRS, Pittsburgh, advised SA FORSYTH that he and others from his office make frequent evening trips to New Kensington and environs in order to interview prospective FGJ witnesses and to conduct surveillances in connection with some of their investigations.

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When they were contacted, as set out above, both PG 612-C and PCI BURGART said they have noted that GABRIEL MANNARINO spends considerably less time in New Kensington than was formerly the case, due to the "continuing heat" by the Federal Government. They said that MANNARINO still visits the back room of the Supper Club of America in New Kensington but on an infrequent and irregular basis. PCI BURGART estimated MANNARINO'S visits to occur about once each week for anywhere from a half an hour to an hour, but he could not say if any one day was more likely than any other.

Due to the physical problems involved, the Pittsburgh Office cannot be absolutely certain of security if an attempt should be made for a misur installation at the Supper Club of America. The site is a street-level storefront which can be entered only through its one door in front. It is located on a very short side street between two of New Kensington's main thorofares, and the brilliance of the street lights is such as to illuminate all portions of the entrance. Surveillance has proven that traffic passes at all hours of the night. The lock is of the Shaler type, with mushroom pins, requiring each to be picked. Due to the lighted and exposed nature of the door, the time required to open the lock would be increasing the danger of discovery.

Because of the awareness of the racketeering element of "Federal heat," of the diminished frequency of MANNARINO's visits, and of the lack of security, a misur installation will not be requested at the Supper Club of America office at this time. However, the Pittsburgh Office will be alert for improvement in conditions at that location and will continue to attempt to find another location where a feasible and productive installation can be made regarding GABRIEL MANNARINO.